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BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

) In the Matter of MUR 5031 The Honorable Lane Evans; Friends of Lane Evans and Samuel M. Gilman, as treasurer, and) Eric Nelson, as assistant treasurer;) Democratic Party of Illinois and Michael J. Kasper, as treasurer, and) Michael J. Madigan, as chairman; Rock Island County Democratic Central Committee and Walter J. Tiller, as treasurer, and John Gianulis, as chairman; Rock Island GOTV Committee; 17th District Victory Fund and Catherine A. Brunner, as treasurer; J.V. Consulting Services; Knox County Democratic Central Committee and Jeremy S. Karlin, as treasurer, and Janet K. Hill, as chairman; Strategic Consulting Group; Solange MacArthur; Robert O. Muller; Chicago & Central States Unite - PEC) and James E. Skonicki, as treasurer)

CERTIFICATION

I, Darlene Harris, recording secretary for the Federal Election Commission executive session on August 27, 2002, do hereby certify that the Commission decided by a vote of 6-0, on an amended pre-meeting tally, to take the following actions with respect to MUR 5031:

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- Find reason to believe that the Democratic Party of Illinois and Michael J. Kasper, as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. § 433(b)(2), § 434(b), and § 441a(f), and 11 CFR § 110.7(c).
- 2. Find reason to believe that the Rock Island County Democratic Central Committee and Walter J. Tiller, as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. § 433(a), § 434, § 441b, and § 441a(f), and 11 CFR § 102.5(a)(1).
- 3. Find reason to believe that Friends of Lane Evans and Samuel M. Gilman, as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. § 441a(f).
- 4. Find no reason to believe that J.V. Consulting Services violated the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended, and close the file as to this respondent.
- Take no action at this time with regard to Michael J. Madigan, John Gianulis, and Janet K. Hill.
- 6. Find reason to believe that the 17th District Victory Fund and Catherine A. Brunner, as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. § 433(b)(2), § 441a(f), § 441b, and § 434(b), and 11 CFR § 106.5(e).

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- 7. Find no reason to believe that Chicago and Central States
 Unite PEC and James E. Skonicki, as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C.
 § 441a(a) and close the file as to these respondents.
- 8. Find no reason to believe that Solange MacArthur or Robert O. Muller violated 2 U.S.C. § 441a(a) and close the file as to these respondents.
- 9. Take no action at this time with regard to Strategic Consulting Group.
- 10. Take no action at this time with regard to the Knox County Democratic Central Committee and Jeremy S. Karlin, as treasurer.
- 11. Take no action at this time with regard to the Honorable Lane Evans.
- 12. Approve the appropriate Factual and Legal Analyses, as recommended in the General Counsel's Report dated August 2, 2002; subject to the following revision:

Instruct the Office of General Counsel to exclude any references to the Mark Baker television advertisement paid for by the state party in the Factual and Legal Analysis for the Democratic Party of Illinois.

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Commissioners Mason, McDonald, Sandstrom, Smith, Thomas, and Toner voted affirmatively for the decision.

13. Approve the appropriate letters.

Attest:

August 28, 2002

Darlene Harris
Deputy Secretary of
the Commission